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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4200

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: CG, US

SUBJECT: FMS FOR ZAIRE

REF: STATE 194823

1. CHIEF ZAMISH HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING GOZ REQUEST FOR LETTER OF OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE FOR ITEMS LISTED IN PARA 2 REFTEL. ZAMISH MESSAGE 566 DTG P 211530Z AUG75, REQUEST FOR OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE, ZAIRE CABLED TO APPROPRIATE AGENCIES WITHIN DOD, INFO SECSTATE//AFRICAN DESK.

2. CHEIF ZAMISH RECOMMENDS THAT TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR MATERIEL CITED IN REFTEL ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. M16/LAW--TEAM OF FOUR CONSISTING OF ONE ARMY CAPTAIN (0-3) AND THREE ARMY SERGEANTS (E6/E7).

B. MORTARS (60MM, 81MM)--TEAM OF FOUR CONSISTING OF ONE ARMY CAPTAIN (0-3) AND THREE ARMY SERGEANTS (E6/E7).

C. MORTARS (4.2IN)--TEAM OF FOUR CONSISTING OF ONE ARMY CAPTAIN (03) AND THREE ARMY SERGEANTS (E6/E7).

D. MACHINE GUNS (.30 CAL, 50 CAL, 7.62MM)--TEAM OF FOUR CONSISTING OF ONE ARMY CAPTAIN (03) AND THREE ARMY SERGEANTS (E6/E7).

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NOTE: SENIOR OFFICER TO BE DESIGNATED TEAM CHIEF.

3. PERSONNEL SHOULD PLAN TO BE IN ZAIRE FOR A PERIOD OF 30-45 DAYS. CONCEPT OF TRAINING WILL BE TO TRAIN ZAIRIAN MILITARY CADRE. IN VIEW OF THEIR EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE IN TRAINING AND DEALING WITH INDIGENOUS PERSONNEL EVERY CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO SELECTING US TRAINING TEAM PERSONNEL FROM UNITED STATES ARMY INSTITUTE OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE AT FT. BRAGG, N.C. A WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF THE FRENCH LANGUAGE FOR AS MANY TEAM MEMBERS AS POSSIBLE IS DESIRABLE. FURTHER, IT IS RECOMMENDED A SURVEY TEAM CONSISTING OF TEAM CHIEF AND DESIGNATED KEY PERSONNEL VISIT ZAIRE IN ADVANCE TO DISCUSS DETAILS OF TRAINING PROGRAM.

4. IT IS NOTED THAT REF MSG CONTAINS NO MENTION OF EITHER PURCHASE OF OR TRAINING ON AN/PRC-77 RADIO. PLEASE ADVISE HOW WE SHOULD HANDLE PROBLEM OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATOR INSTRUCTION ON THIS ITEM OF EQUIPMENT.  
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